

## Stratton Open Space Givens

*The following points are non-negotiable and set the parameters for the decision-making process for development of a Management Plan for Stratton Open Space.*

- The City's Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department is legally responsible for design, maintenance, operations and management of resources and recreation in Stratton Open Space. All elements of the Stratton Open Space Management Plan must conform to the Colorado Springs Parks Rules and Regulations Ordinances.
- Stratton Open Space is subject to the requirements and restrictions of the Trails, Open Space and Parks (TOPS) Ordinance.
- The planning process will respect the terms and conditions of existing utility easements and the conservation easement. Any proposed changes to the existing conservation easement must be approved by the Colorado Springs Parks Advisory Board, the Palmer Land Trust, and Great Outdoors Colorado.
- Implementation of the Management Plan will occur as funding allows.
- Any recommendations related to specific recreational use of Colorado Springs Utilities' South Suburban Reservoir and associated watershed land must be consistent with existing codes, rules, and regulations pertaining to infrastructure protection, operations and recreational use on municipal watershed lands.
- Colorado Springs Utilities will continue to access and manage its land and water resources at South Suburban Reservoir as needed for water storage purposes. Utilities must be able to operate this resource independent of recreational use or Stratton Open Space Management Plan decisions.
- Groups and individuals interested in the property are encouraged to help develop the best possible Management Plan; all voices will be equal in the decision-making process.
- The recommended Stratton Open Space Management Plan will be submitted to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for approval.